

TERA

THE EAGLE ROCK ASSOCIATION



June 23, 2020

The Honorable Nury Martinez
President
Los Angeles City Council

via e-mail

Dear Council President Martinez:

The Eagle Rock Association (TERA) was profoundly disappointed and saddened by today's arrest of our elected Council representative, José Huizar. While TERA has successfully worked with the office of Council District 14 on issues related to land use, transportation and livability in Eagle Rock, our community and the City as a whole cannot turn a blind eye toward the allegations of corruption levied against Councilman Huizar.

For the last year and a half, the criminal investigation of Councilman Huizar has loomed over Eagle Rock. It has resulted in our community having greatly diminished City representation due to the councilman's removal from his committee assignments and, more recently, the agreement that he not attend Council meetings or cast votes.

Eagle Rock, and the rest of Council District 14, deserves much better than this. Our district is owed and expects full representation in City government -- representation that is uncompromised, ethical, fair, and honest. Today's criminal charges indicate that Councilman Huizar fails to meet these criteria.

Consequently, TERA asks that you and the City Council act and make every legal effort to immediately remove Councilman Huizar from office. We further ask that Councilmember-elect Kevin de León be appointed to oversee Council District 14 on an interim basis until his official term commences in December. We believe this will help provide for a smooth transition of power and better continuity of governance.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to your expeditious action.

Sincerely,

Greg Merideth
President